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STATEMENT OF SUBSTANCE OF INTERVIEW

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Dear Sir:

A telephonic interview was conducted in connection with the above-identified patent application on August 8, 2005. The substance of that interview is as follows:

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Brief Description of the Nature of Any Exhibit Shown or Any Demonstration Conducted: None.

Identification of the Claims Discussed:

Claims 16 and 24 were discussed.

Identification of the Specific Prior Art Discussed:

None.

Identification of the Principal Proposed Amendments of a Substantive Nature Discussed, Unless these are Already Described on the Interview Summary Form Completed by the Examiner:

Amendment to claim 24 to change its dependency from claim 16 to claim 15 was discussed and agreed upon.

Brief Identification of the General Thrust of the Principal Arguments Presented to the Examiner:

None.

General Indication of any other Pertinent Matters Discussed:

None.

General Results or Outcome of the Interview:

Amendment to claim 24 effected by way of Examiner's Amendment tendered with Interview Summary – acceptable to applicant.

Respectfully submitted,

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